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In re Patent Application of:
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For: INHIBIN MODULATION OF CELL GROWTH

Examiner: G. Nickol

RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.111

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 20, 2006, please reconsider this application in view of the following remarks.

REMARKS

Claims 58, 60-63, 69, 72-91, 93, 95, 96, 98, and 99 stand rejected under 35 USC 112, first paragraph. Specifically, the Examiner states that the claims are not enabled by the specification because the Examiner states that and article by co-inventor Risbridger indicates that the claimed invention "does not work." Since the Examiner has misinterpreted the Risbridger article, this rejection is respectfully traversed.

Contrary to the Examiner's assertion, the Risbridger article in fact restates that which is claimed in the present application, being that the detection of a downregulation in inhibin levels is